BEFORE THE TENNESSEE REGULATORY AUTHORITY

NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE

MARCH 29, 2000

IN RE:	
JOINT PETITION OF CROCKETT TELEPHONE))
COMPANY, INC., PEOPLES TELEPHONE COMPANY,)
WEST TENNESSEE TELEPHONE COMPANY, INC.,)
AND THE CONSUMER ADVOCATE DIVISION OF)
THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR)
THE APPROVAL AND IMPLEMENTATION OF)
EARNINGS REVIEW SETTLEMENT)

ORDER GRANTING INTERVENTION PETITION OF AT&T COMMUNICATIONS OF THE SOUTH CENTRAL STATES, INC.

This matter came before the Tennessee Regulatory Authority ("Authority") at a regularly scheduled Authority Conference held on February 1, 2000, upon the Petition for Intervention filed by AT&T Communications of the South Central States, Inc. ("AT&T") in the above-captioned proceeding.

At the above-referenced Authority Conference, the Directors applied the legal standard for intervention, codified at Tenn. Code Ann. § 4-5-310, and found that the Petition for Intervention was timely and properly served, that it substantiated that legal interests of the intervenor may be determined in this proceeding, and that it demonstrated that the interests of justice and the orderly and prompt conduct of this matter would not be impaired by allowing this intervention. On the day before the Conference, the Consumer Advocate Division ("CAD") filed a motion to dismiss AT&T's Petition. The Directors questioned the propriety



of a motion to dismiss a Petition for Intervention. The Directors unanimously granted the Petition for Intervention and agreed unanimously that the CAD's motion to dismiss was moot.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

- 1. The Petition for Intervention filed by AT&T is granted; and
- 2. Any Party aggrieved by the Authority's decision in this matter may file a Petition for Reconsideration with the Authority within ten (10) days of the date of this Order.

Melvin J Walone, Chairman

Helynn Greer, Jr., Director

Sara Kyle Director

ATTEST:

K. David Waddell, Executive Secretary